HOUSE BILL No. 1717

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-18-30.

Synopsis: CASA and guardian ad litem funding. Creates the court appointed special advocate (CASA) and guardian ad litem account within the state general fund. Provides that \$5 of the fee paid for each children's trust license plate is deposited into the account. Annually appropriates the money in the fund.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 9-18-30-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The annual fee described in section 4(a)(2) of this chapter shall be deposited with the treasurer of state in a special account.
- (b) The auditor of state shall monthly distribute the money twenty dollars (\$20) from the sale of each plate in the special account established under subsection (a) to the Indiana children's trust fund established by IC 12-17-16-12.
- (c) The auditor of state shall monthly distribute five dollars (\$5) from the sale of each plate in the special account established under subsection (a) to the court appointed special advocate and guardian ad litem account established in section 5.5 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 9-18-30-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5.5. (a) The court appointed special advocate (CASA) and guardian ad litem account is established within the state general fund for the purpose of providing services to children



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under the CASA and guardian ad litem programs. The account shall be administered by the supreme court. The account consists of money deposited in the account from the sale of children's trust	
license plates under IC 9-18-30 and from gifts and appropriations.	
(b) The expenses of administering the account shall be paid from money in the account.	
(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the account	
not currently needed to meet the obligations of the account in the	
same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that	
accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the account. (d) Money in the account at the end of a state fiscal year does	
not revert to the state general fund.	
(e) Money in the account is continuously appropriated.	

